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Pursley Award for creative writing grants fifty-dollar cash prize.

SHAKESPEARE!

Sanguinist religious, through Curtain Club, stage "Henry IV", March 16.

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ALUMNI PAPER, 'CONTACT', AIDS TIE WITH GRADS

Monthly Publication Makes Snappy Debut to 3000 Recipients

Contact, monthly publication for the Alumni of St. Joseph's College, edited by the Rev. Sylvester Ley, C. P. S. and Mr. Edward Fischer, made its debut March 1. The name Contact shows that its purpose is to contact all the alumni and thereby bring them closer together by strengthening the bond between themselves and their Alma Mater.

This four-page, four-column paper contains all alumni news with the exception of two local columns. There is one on sports, The Roundup, by Coach Joseph Dienhart, and one entitled On the Campus, in which interesting facts about leading campus events are presented. In the editorial column for this first issue were editorials by the V. Rev. Joseph M. Marling, C. P. S., Ph. D., Provincial of the Precious Blood Order, by the V. Rev. Aloys Dirksen, C. P. S., S. T. D., President of St. Joseph's College, and by the Rev. Sylvester H. Ley, C. P. S., co-editor of this new publication.

Over three thousand copies of the initial issue have been mailed. With each copy a questionnaire was sent to be filled out by each alumnus. That is how the editors intended to gather necessary alumni information.

All alumni will receive Contact every month except July, August, and September from the presses at St. Charles Seminary, Carthage, Ohio.

'SCHOLA VACAT' MEANS FREE DAY BUT FEW CATCH

To fittingly commemorate the appointment of Eugenio Cardinal Pacelli to the Papal throne, the Rev. Aloys Dirksen, C. P. S., college president, waxed humorous in refectory, Mar. 3, by announcing "no classes" in some foreign language later discerned as Latin.

Following his statement which was ninety per cent uninterpreted by his expectant hearers, the only applause came from a few Latin students in the know to this "foreign jumble."

The down and tumultuous hand-clapping broke at once when the Rev. Werner Rauh, C. P. S., dean of men, allowed country permission for the morning with the regular town limits in the afternoon.

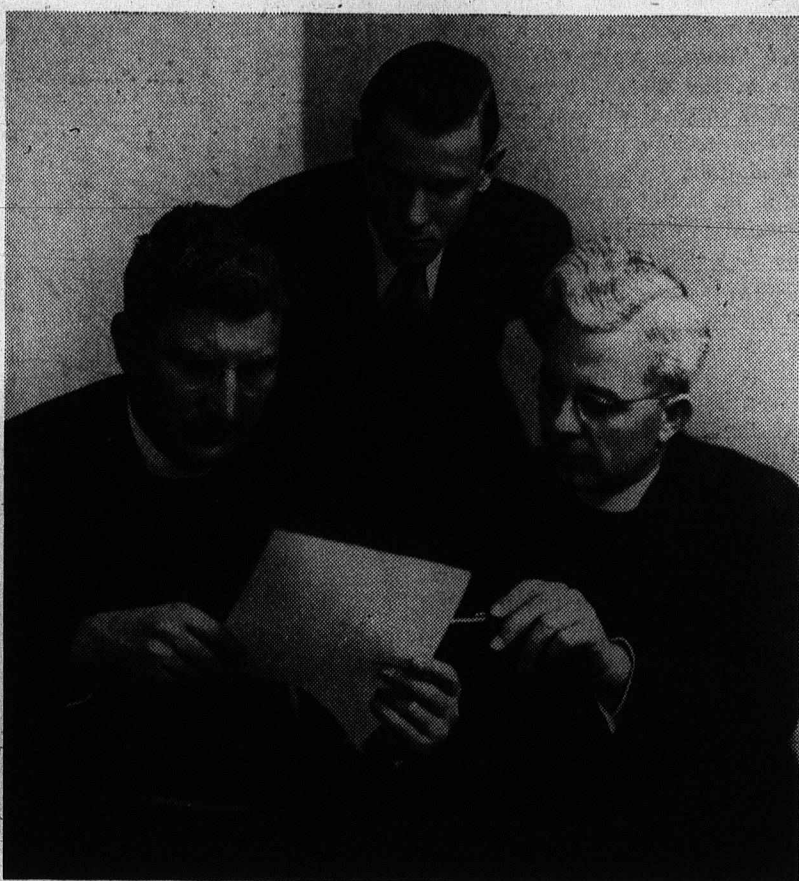
ST. JOE RESTS EASIER AS FLU SCARE IS LIGHT

While other metropolises and educational institutions throughout the Middle West were seriously plagued with the recent influenza wave, the metropolis of Collegeville felt little more than the passing breezes of the epidemic.

"Of the fifty-one cases admitted to the infirmary during the one-week run of the flu here none became serious and no complications resulted," proudly stated Mr. Peter Heimes, R. N., infirmary. He emphasized that those who came during the early stages of the attack were by far better off.

Much of the credit due for the blessing of a very light siege at St. Joe belongs to the Rev. John Schon, C. P. S., procurator, and to the Precious Blood Sisters who were exceedingly generous in supplying an abundance of wholesome nutriment. Praise is also due to the four students, Adelbert Weber, George Lubeley, Paul Buehler, and James Zau-meyer, and to Bro. Maurice Flynn who assisted Mr. Heimes in caring for the victims.

As Alumni Newspaper Gets Under Way



The Rev. Aloys Dirksen, C. P. S., checks over an article for the first issue of "Contact", new alumni newspaper. Looking on with St. Joe's College president are the co-editors, Edward Fischer (center) and the Rev. Sylvester Ley, C. P. S., (right).

Begin Pursley Award For Creative Writing

Fr. Leo Pursley, '21, in Mother's Memory, Grants Fifty-Dollar Prize to Best Effort in Poetry, Short Story or Drama

Attention, college students! A cash prize of fifty dollars has just been donated for the best bit of creative writing submitted to a board of three judges chosen by the English Department of St. Joseph's College. This will be an annual contest known as The Mary J. Pursley Memorial Award for Creative Writing.

In a meeting of the English Department, March 3, it was decided that this year original contributions would be accepted in the field of the short story, drama, or poetry.

Short stories to qualify must contain not less than 1000 words. One, two, or three-act plays may be written. In poetry, not less than two poems of any type or

form will be required, and an aggregate of at least sixteen lines will be necessary.

The contest closes May 10. Further details can be obtained from professors of English.

In memory of his mother the Rev. Leo Pursley, '21, pastor in Warsaw, Ind., is the donor of this generous award.

She'll Wed Local News Director



Courtesy South Bend Tribune

The wedding of Miss Mary Ewaniec, of South Bend, and Edward Fischer, college news bureau director, instructor and alumni editor, will take place Monday morning, April 10, in the Log Chapel at Notre Dame. The Rev. Aloys Dirksen, C. P. S., president of St. Joseph's, will perform the ceremony. The couple will reside at 205 Webster Street, Rensselaer.

LIBRARY POLL NUMBERS 2576 VOLUMES READ

Required Reading Is Heavy Contributor, Reveals Fr. Gerard

By Stanley Tuszyński

Some newly compiled statistics were recently uncovered by the Rev. Gerard Lutkemeier, C. P. S., librarian, and his assistants in a popularity poll of authors and books.

Because of required assignments demanded of students, the English section has the largest quota of books withdrawn from the library. The total accredited to the English department is approximately 1250 volumes for the first semester. An interesting fact is that the college sophomores alone have read more than 900 Literary Criticism books.

The sum of fiction books read by the entire student body is set at 705. Eighty-one times the works of Maurice Walsh were read, while Margaret Mitchell's Gone With the Wind ranked second with 53 withdrawals. Another rapidly growing favorite among the students is the new Citadel, by A. J. Cronin. Figures also show that high school students are chiefly interested in the works of James Curwood and Ralph Barbour.

Literary appreciation on the average is quite encouraging, though there still is an abundance of fine reading untouched on the shelves. The library recommends the following books to give students the greatest pleasure, knowledge, and literary appreciation: volumes of Hilaire Belloc and Joseph Conrad; Lucille Borden's White Hawthorne, Candlestick Makers, and Silver Trumpets Calling. For light popular reading it suggests the Dark Rose, Romantic Adventures, Three Roads, and Green Rushes, all by Maurice Walsh. The librarians are endeavoring to have the students surpass the record of 2,576 books taken out during the first semester.

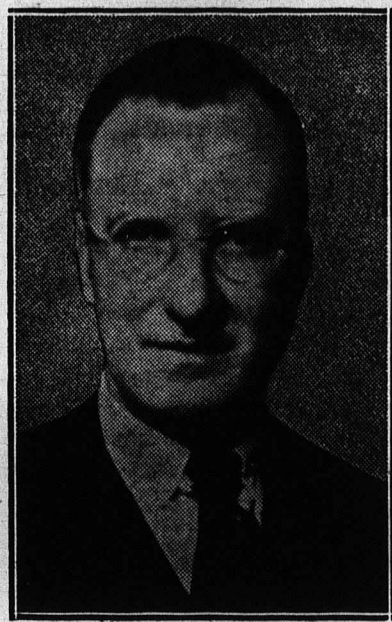
BROTHER VIC IS ON ROAD BACK

Oldest and Longest St. Joe Resident Here Since 1893

All Collegeville should rejoice to hear that its oldest citizen, Brother Victor Zuber, who because of serious illness was taken to St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Lafayette, several weeks ago, will soon be back on the campus.

Brother Victor is not only the oldest person here at St. Joe's; he has also been here longer than anyone else. Coming from Switzerland to this country at an early age, he joined the Sanguinist Order at Carthage, O. Most of his work in the religious life has been spent as infirmarian at St. Joe. He was sent here by his superiors in 1893, several years after the organization of St. Joseph's College.

"Street Corner Religion"



Mr. F. J. Sheed of Sheed and Ward, Publishers, lectured at St. Joseph's Mar. 2 on the nature of England's Catholic Evidence Guild.

BEST LECTURER F. J. SHEED SEES HALL HALF FULL

Witty Founder Gives Talk on "Street Corner Religion"

By Carlton Ott

Approximately one-half of the St. Joe student body neglected an opportunity to hear the year's outstanding lecturer here when they failed to attend the auditorium program, Thursday evening, Mar. 2, featuring Mr. Francis J. Sheed, Master of the Catholic Evidence Guild in England, author, translator, and founder of the Sheed & Ward publishing houses in London and New York. Using "Religion on the Street Corner" as the topic of his lecture, Mr. Sheed fully explained what militant Catholic lay people, as members of Evidence Guilds, are doing in the teaching of Catholic doctrine on the street corners of England. The publisher himself directs the training of the London Guild speakers and has conducted 1500 street-corner and 1200 indoor meetings during the past twelve years.

Throughout his hour lecture which preceded a barrage of student's questions answered by the Guild Master, Mr. Sheed kept the audience in good humor with his many witticisms and stories of people with whom the Guild speakers deal in their meetings. He vividly presented the difficulties arising from speaking to crowds "that are very indifferent, think little on the idea of God and of eternity, and will leave as soon as they are disinterested."

Guilds Prove Effective The Guilds are "an ideal method of converting people," he said. "Thousands of lax Catholics have come back to the Church as a result of Guild work. Our real job is to make people, who are not thinking about God, think about God and to infuse into them Catholic doctrines."

Curtain Club In Drama Bow With Henry IV

Scenes of Shakespeare's Boisterous, 15th-Century England Come to Alumni Hall on Eve of St. Pat's Day

By Joseph Dell

Departing from the usual trend toward the three-act modern play, the Curtain Club, newly organized dramatic society of C. P. S. students, will present Shakespeare's King Henry IV, its first play, in Alumni Theatre, Thursday, March 16.

ESSAY CONTEST ZERO HOUR STANDS ONLY THREE WEEKS AWAY!

Less than three weeks remain before April 1, the zero hour for the annual Alumni Essay Contest. All copies must be in the hands of the respective English professor on that day.

A beautiful gold medal is the prize. Something to cherish in future years.

The essays may be on any subject—purely literary (the familiar essay type), historical, political, social, economic, scientific. They are not to be less than 1000 words and not more than 2000.

Three typewritten copies (two carbon), signed with a pseudonym, are required.

Competent judges, chosen from the alumni, will decide the winner.

CONDOLENCE

Faculty and students of St. Joseph's College tender their deepest sympathies to Raymond Knight, fifth-year religious, upon the death of his father, Mr. Earl R. Knight, Mar. 1.

MED SCHOOLS ACCEPT BIDS OF 6 JUNIORS

Recent announcements reveal that St. Joseph's has this year received the singular honor of having all its pre-med Juniors accepted by a medical school.

Since none of Collegeville's pre-meds have degrees, they have been accepted solely on the merits of their high scholastic standing and the extraordinarily fine showing made in the Mental Aptitude Test, a government examination given to students throughout the country.

The juniors who have given this honor to St. Joseph's are Douglas Beach, William Foley, and Carl Heitz, accepted by the Loyola University School of Medicine; and Robert Daney, Arthur Daniel, and Frank Young, entering the St. Louis University School of Medicine.

The setting for King Henry IV is fifteenth century England, a time when English life was boisterous and stirring, when lords and commons were struggling together; when disabled soldiers made the roads unsafe, and highway robbery was the amusement of adventurous youth; when the title to the crown was still debatable and unsure.

Such an age Shakespeare chose for the dramatic treatment of the Percys' rebellion which "found rebuke" in the battle of Shrewsbury.

Although a few of the scenes have been omitted, it will still consist of four acts with approximately seven changes in scenery. This scenery will be simplified realism.

"King Henry IV will be the most difficult play in several years, but the huge cast is hard at work to make it a success and a favorable harbinger of future Curtain Club productions," said Fr. Koch, director of dramatics.

Instead of the college orchestra, the St. Joe band and the Glee Club will furnish the necessary music between acts. As yet the entire musical program has not been determined, but as it is the eve of St. Patrick's Day, the band under the direction of Professor Tonner will play Beloved Irish Melodies.

THE CAST:

King Henry IV..... Anthony Ley
Henry, Prince of Wales..... George Lubeley
John, Prince of Lancaster..... Vincent Schuster
Edmund, Earl of Westmorland..... Richard Doyle
Thomas Percy, Earl of Worcester..... Paul Buehler
Henry Percy, Earl of Northumberland..... Lawrence, Cyr
his son..... William Dougherty
Archibald, Earl of Douglas..... Virgil Moelling
Sir Richard Vernon..... Adelbert Weber
Sir John Falstaff..... Joseph Lima
Peto..... Herbert Raner
Gadshill..... George Charle
Francis, a servant..... Carl Keltovsky
Bardolph..... John Behen
Hostess..... Raymond Seifert
Sheriff..... Joseph Feser
Messenger..... William Kramer
Travelers..... Arthur Grevenkamp
..... Clarence Chronicle
..... Albert Fey.

ACTORS' GAVEL GOES TO FISHER, NEW PRESIDENT

After an hour and a half of balloting on the morning of Feb. 26, the Columbian Literary Society emerged from the privacy of Alumni Hall to announce to whom the society had entrusted her guidance for the remainder of the year.

The presidential chair, formerly held by Albert Latendresse, was overwhelmingly given to Robert Fisher. In like manner did James Fitzmaurice rise to the vice-presidency. The other officers are: Harold Gerber, secretary; Donald Hardebeck, treasurer; William Kozilewski, critic; James Manion, librarian; and Robert Gutting, Joseph Kelly and Denny Clark, executive committee members.

A noteworthy event of the day was that the traditional and constitutional law of the society that no executive officer shall hold the same office for two consecutive terms, believed to be unbroken during the forty-seven years of the society's existence, was laid aside in order that Harold Gerber and Donald Hardebeck might be re-elected secretary and treasurer, respectively.

Shirt-Tail Blue & Gold Vetted to Favor

Present Cardinal & Purple Back in 1894

By Robert Runnion

Just about this time of the year, way back in 1894, a meeting of faculty and students was called in the old auditorium, then a fine new room, now the Locust Valley dorm. It was a rather unusual meeting. No one knew the purpose of the convention called during the dinner hour. However, the students, a mere handful compared to our thriving metropolis today, turned out en masse and were told by the Rev. John Cogan took the floor, and after a few pertinent remarks, produced ribbons in the beautiful combination of red, white, and green, explaining their meaning as "pure, fragrant love for Alma Mater."

that they would that day choose colors to stand for St. Joseph's.

Immediately a great discussion arose. Every color combination imaginable was suggested. One student, now the Rev. Lawrence A. Eberle, vociferously advocated blue and yellow, displaying a shirt-tail so striped as proof of their beautiful harmony. When all hope of compromise had vanished, Rev. John Cogan took the floor, and after a few pertinent remarks, produced ribbons in the beautiful combination of red, white, and green, explaining their meaning as "pure, fragrant love for Alma Mater."

Wild applause greeted this, and they were unanimously accepted. However, because of the difficulty experienced in obtaining the true shades, cardinal red and royal purple were substituted and came to be looked upon as the true college colors.

Now almost half a century has passed. Sometimes, in this streamlined age, the modern 1939 student loses sight of the fine traditions underlying many of the customs of Collegeville, but now, perhaps, when he sees the Cardinal and Purple, he will pause, and think, "Fragrant love for Alma Mater."

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WELCOME TO PIUS XII-

Into a Roman sky during the late afternoon of March 2, a spiral of white smoke ascended ever so steadily. Simultaneously, before they announced his name to a frenzied outside, a fervent prayer ascended in parallel from the lips of Eugenio Cardinal Pacelli, now Pope Pius XII.

Through their rapid balloting, sixty-two cardinals signified their approval of the vigorous reign of the deceased pontiff. His secretary of state for three years, his constant companion during recent crises, the new Pope seemed best suited to continue as successor. That he is this, the cardinals optimistically indicated.

Describing the crowd of 200,000 kneeling before the basilica, ranking journalists found words failing them at the dusk-surrounded ceremony. When the announcement was made and during the clamor and tumult that ensued, there was no halfback dashing for a touchdown; only a human-looking clergyman, shepherd of 350 millions of Catholics, bestowing his Papal blessing for the first time. They doubted beforehand that any throng could be so overwrought at anything as religious as this.

As this exposition of faith astounded a few syndicated writers, so also was the attention of the entire world surprising. Dictators, who have come to be considered as a kind of banner line dominators, were crowded into oblivion as universally non-Catholics kept apace with the electoral progress in Rome.

How encouraging will it not be to Catholics to see the same principles, such as the Catholic Press, continuing onward under the new leader! A fluent English speaker, he is particularly loved in this country, every diocese of which he has visited. The new Pope will also bear the name of Pius, a criterion of its translation, peace.

R. O. T. C. FOR ST. JOE?-

(A Student Editorial)

One of the topics now frequently discussed about the campus is "Why not have an R. O. T. C. unit here at St. Joe?"

I personally believe an R. O. T. C. unit would be an advantage both to the school and to the students. It would add another course to the curriculum of studies here, and at the Government's expense. It would also add to the faculty. It would permit us to compete against much larger colleges and universities through drill meets, rifle matches, and the like.

But the main objection arises with regard to the students. Is this course which "they are forced to take against their better judgment" so horrible? It is true that all state colleges and some private colleges have compulsory units, but it is just as easy for a college to obtain a non-compulsory unit.

But what are the advantages of taking R. O. T. C., if any? It helps us become better citizens. It helps us in later civil pursuits, teaching us the value of system and order in approaching tasks, of physical and mental fitness, and of alertness and self-confidence. It gives many of us a chance to be eligible for some collegiate competition through its drill meets and rifle matches. And, in general, it adds to the social and scholastic activity of the student. It helps us in many other ways too numerous to mention here.

(Signed) Gilbert Sullivan-

KOLLEGE EYHOLE COLUMN

BY.....Bob Danahy

This week Jim Cooney joins up with the KOLLEGE EYHOLE COLUMN as the master of slams and digs. In case you want to find either of us after STUFF is on the market we will be in the open . . . some fellows seem to think that the purpose behind the guest writers is to give them a chance to get even with some of the boys . . . the upper classmen in particular. For the first and last time, this is not the purpose and all statements can be proved . . . if you insist.

Should anyone be looking for a qualified person to give sympathy to a bereaved girl-friend over the death of her grandmother, just contact Bill Herber.

We understand that N. Theodore is looking for a current heart throb in this locality. May we say, "there is no flame like an old flame . . . it never dies."

Upon returning from a week-end off campus, we found Dick Cody stood-up once more. This time by a Rensselaer sophomore . . . or something . . . in the last issue we underrated Dick . . . he was stood up three times . . . not four.

Open letter to Bob Fisher:

Dear Bob,

This week we again nominate you as heel Number one of the week. The reasons are many and various . . . for example: for being a member of the Student Council Puppets; for stooping so low as to campaign for the presidency of, above all organizations, the C. L. S.; for chasing a sixteen year old; for playing Sir Walter to a local yokelette; for being the most conceited person in Drexel Hall.

Amour et Baisers,

Bob Danahy
Jim Cooney

Flash! Pokey Dine gets a hair cut. Too bad it's not more noticeable.

Of late we have found Jim Fitzmaurice a regular feller. The only trouble with him is his associations with Sullivan and Vilim.

The following list of Bet Squelchers was turned in:

Barney Badke
Al Latendresse (the mental case)
Stinky
Stan Kolanski
N. Theodore
Paul Couzins

Why has King Bee Nemetz missed the 9:15 check so often of late? Could it be his romantic tendencies?

Bill Curosh . . . trying for the honor of Dopey . . . doesn't know whether he will be an uncle or an aunt. All depends upon whether it is a boy or a girl.

Heroes of the week and real ones at that: Mike, Curosh and Jones for turning Sackie's room inside out.

This is a very delicate subject, but we are wondering who will be the Queen of the Prom. Badke's girl is the inevitable choice, but who will she be?

Beware, the Professor!

By the Rev. Paul F. Speckbaugh, C. P. P. S., Ph. D.

Catholic Students

The simple fact is that many Catholic College students are dead. Lifeless. Be charitable in your explanation and you will explain it in terms of humility and modesty. Be imaginative and you will conjure some sort of vision of automatons marching to the classroom and the study hall. Be candid and you will admit the blunt and unavoidable truth that many Catholic students show no slightest sign of ambition, have no belief in the thrill of education, are unmistakably dead.

You wish proof? Ask student after student the scope and breadth of his leisure-reading, but do not take a large pad for your jottings. Spend the day listening to all the favorite radio programs: your feet will continue tapping in your sleep. Ask some men about the International Catholic Peace Conference, the Catholic Theatre Conference, the relations of science and philosophy, the need of the Church today in politics, but be "polite" to the blank faces that stare at you. Keep one hand in your pocket and count the number of leaders who will sweep you off your feet with their enthusiasm. Do anything, go anywhere—and meet the dead!

And the pay-off? It will come when Almighty God carries out the verities of the parable of the talents. To Catholic students have been given gifts of intellect, imagination, and will, faculties as fine as any in the world. In their care has been placed the sacred treasure of Catholic culture and tradition. To them has been granted the opportunity of leading the world. The talents are there. What of the judgment in eternity? How many will find it necessary to dig their talents from the hiding-place? How many will stutter with excuses? And what will those excuses be?

This is not a challenge on the part of one of your professors. This is a plain and simple problem which you will have to face before your God. What will your answer be?

The Frosh Observer

By Richard Perl

Greetings my fran:

Spring is here; you can tell—the mud squishes pleasantly underfoot whilst the wee birds sing in the treetops. They claim that it is the time of year that a young man's fancy turns to—etc.

Kid Glass is no exception; his letters (literary masterpieces) have taken on an added sweetness. If there ever be such a thing as a course in letter writing, the Kid would be the Emily Post on the subject. Running a close second is the proud possessor of the repaired picture, not a bit adverse to publicity. "Locust Valley" points out the fact that in one of the treasured volumes she said, "The candy was sweet, as you are." Of course these may not be the actual words, but they are definitely similar.

Getting up at six a. m. is not a pleasant thought to dwell upon, especially when immediately following is one grade A workout. The hero of the situation is a person called Fish. Just literally, of course. He also seems to have a bit of trouble in these intramural games, a black eye here and a sprained ankle there. Abe, the present president of the Harangers, is a born haranger; in fact, he prolongs the subject far into the night.

Joe, the demon passer of the football squad, claims to be an artist. Concerning some very peculiar circumstances, he said in emphatic terms, "I could make Michelangelo look like a fence post painter." It is a strange thing; those interested in further details ask Joe. While we are dwelling on the inmates of Dwenger, we might bring up the case of Clinton Jr. The age of his acquaintances has reached a new low, the latest of them has just seen fourteen winters. There could be a method to his madness, as the older they get, the more fickle.

Well, as there are only 264 or so shopping days 'till Christmas, I will desist.

'Tis the end—
THE OBSERVER.

FOLLOWING THE FLICKERS

By Tyrone Power's
Onetime Brother-in-Trade

To better classify brand new pictures released recently for a Legion of Decency rating, STUFF now operates under direct data from L. D.'s New York office.

Add sideline scrutines: More than forty miles of copper pipe were installed on Metro's Stage Fifteen to freeze the gigantic rink used in "Ice Follies of 1939" . . . Ronald Reagan, onetime college athlete and bigtime sports writer, is an R.O.T.C. cavalry lieutenant . . . Jimmy Cagney's horse, Whizzer, is rented for twenty-five samoleons daily from a Los Angeles stable . . . Cagney picked the animal himself out of the two-fifty ranks.

"OKLAHOMA KID"

James Cagney-Rosemary Lane
Ritz, Sun.-Mon.-Tue., Mar. 12-14
LEGION OF DECENCY—Class A-2

Warners introduce a semi-historic tale of the great land rush and other events following the opening of the Oklahoma territory in 1893. Cagney, the Broadway tough guy, has turned westerner, lessening not one whit his penchant for lusty, he-man drama. As a six-gun plainsman, he must oppose the villainous Humphrey Bogart in every reel, climaxing in a final, vicious, hell-for-leather fist fight. The Oklahoma Kid starts out as an outlaw son, never changing until, aiding his dying brother, he is persuaded to see things differently.

"ICE FOLLIES OF 1939"

Joan Crawford-James Stewart
Palace, Sun.-Mon.-Tue., Mar. 12-14
LEGION OF DECENCY—Review Forthcoming.

Fifteen years ago, a couple of St. Paul kids started working on a dream as they skated on frozen lakes around their home town. They wanted to stage a Ziegfeld Follies on ice! Similar to the actors in the picture, Shipstad and Johnson began as entertainers at the half during hockey games, and barnstorming throughout the United States and Canada. Years later, rising on the shoulders of an acclaiming public, the boys went to Hollywood, designed the original Ice Follies, scenes of which appear in the picture, "Ice Follies of 1939." This flicker, which sees Shipstad and Johnson in specialty roles, portrays skating scenes in Technicolor.

"SECRET SERVICE OF THE AIR"

Ronald Reagan-John Littel
Ritz, Wed.-Thur., Mar. 15-16
LEGION OF DECENCY—A-1.

The United States Secret Service has made its debut as the subject of a new movie series. "Secret Service of the Air" is concerned mainly with Reagan's adventures in breaking up a gang which has been smuggling aliens from Mexico by air. The hero goes to work for the enemy to get needed evidence, then confounds them in the end.

"CAFE SOCIETY"

Madeleine Carroll-Fred MacMurray
Palace, Sun.-Mon.-Tue., Mar. 19-21
LEGION OF DECENCY—Class A-2

Cafe society, 1939's much-publicized counterpart of yesterday's four hundred, gets a hefty but good-natured spanking at the hands of Hollywood in this new screen comedy.

A bored young society girl has the awakening of a lifetime when she becomes a shrew that marriage to a cynical reporter eventually tames. MacMurray, always thorough-going, is highly systematic in taming his deb-wife. He humiliates her before her former friends, shows her the good qualities of the folks across the tracks and drags her through New York's waterways tied to an aquaplane!

HERE'S HOPING!



WITH OUR ALUMNI

By Raymond Seifert

With the recent appearance of the first issue of the new alumni publication, Contact, the alumni of St. Joseph's have at last an official organ of their own and are now no longer so dependent upon the comparably few alumni notes that are given them in this column. Nevertheless the editor of this column feels certain that the alumni of St. Joseph's will indeed welcome any further mention of them in this publication of their Alma Mater.

Congratulations—

To Mr. Harry Klapheke, '37, and Miss Rosemary Kelley, who became his wife at St. James' Church Louisville, Ky. January 24.

To the Rev. Thomas Ryan, '19, chaplain at St. Agnes Convent, Fond du Lac Wis., on his article on Brownson which appears in the Catholic World.

To Mr. Edward McCarthy, '35, second theologian at St. Charles Seminary, Carthage, O., on his article, "What about the Negro Race?" which appears in the Interracial Review.

Pictured in the Catholic Universe Bulletin of Cleveland, O., is the Rev. Lionel Pire, '16, a Precious Blood missionary who is in charge of a two weeks mission at St. John's Cathedral. The Rev. Gabriel Brenkus, '26, is assisting him.

Tune in on radio station WORK, York, Pa., March 13, from 2:30 to 3:00, E.S.T., and hear the Rev. Thomas Corcoran, '29, assistant pastor at St. Joseph's Church Hanover Pa.

William McKune, Lawrence Mossing, and Joseph Algeier of the class of '34, and James Scott, '35, are pursuing their courses for the priesthood in an abandoned hospital at Sion-Valais Switzerland, since the Nazis seized the Canisium in Innsbruck.

At the Illinois Catholic basketball tournament which was held at Springfield, Ill., recently, the Rev. Carl Nieset, '28, met an enthusiastic alumnus, the Rev. Paul Popham, '32, intramural athletic director at Marmion Military Academy, Aurora, Ill. Fr. Popham, who is working hard to boost our enrollment with some more Illinois fellows, says he would like to get some games of basketball with our High School next year.

The Rev. John Cherry, '16, who was ill for several months at Good Samaritan Hospital, Cinn., is now on the road to full recovery.

The Rev. Albin Scheldier, '05, who is at the Precious Blood missionary training school at Charlottesville, Va., along with the student-priests there, had the opportunity to meet and hear Dr. Heinrich Bruening, former chancellor of the German Reich, who gave three lectures at the nearby University of Virginia.

Besides being pastor of Sacred Heart Church, Humbolt Tenn., the Rev. William Neider, '27, has

a mission and six stations which are stretched over a vast territory.

The Rev. Richard Connelly, '33, sang his First Solemn High Mass at the Church of the Blessed Sacrament, Newark, O., Sunday, March 5.

Sympathy

To the Rev. Paul J. Rose, '21, assistant at St. Joseph's parish, Springfield, Ohio, on the death of his father. Father Rose celebrated the funeral Mass in St. Charles Church, Carthage, Feb. 24.

BOOK-ENDING IN THE LIBRARY

By Stanley Tuszyński

Already the possessor of a large collection of books on business matters, the Library has purchased three more commercial reference books during the past week. Two very useful handbooks were obtained, namely, The Handbook of Sales Management and The Advertising Handbook, by S. Roland Hall. The former is a review of modern sale practices and management, illustrated by the methods and experiences of representative selling organizations. Throughout the volume the author seeks to define and illustrate the better kind of salesmanship. The latter will prove useful to the Business Administration students. Mr. Hall's reference work covers the principles and practice of Advertising. To give the reader the greatest results in his work many helpful hints are suggested.

A business library would be incomplete if The Handbook of Business Administration, by W. J. Donald, should be lacking. Essentially the handbook has been prepared to meet the needs of executives of general managerial rank who want to keep pace with up-to-date practice and business management. Commercial student should strive to read the text for use in later life.

In commemoration of Catholic poets a special showcase containing complimentary copies of various poetical works presented to the Rev. Paul Speckbaugh, C. P. P. S., has been placed in the reading room. Books of ten famous poets are displayed in the case.

From various observations during the first semester, the columnist has found that the Library wasn't used as much as it should have been. Shelves upon shelves of fiction together with well-known periodicals and newspapers lay idle throughout long periods.

STUFF Faculty Adviser Takes to Hinterlands

From now to the end of the school year, the Rev. Sylvester Ley, C. P. P. S., faculty adviser of STUFF and co-editor of Contact, the alumni newspaper, faces a slightly different schedule of activity.

Father expects to spend about four days every fortnight in Collegeville. Most of his time will be taken up by high school canvassing and other contact work, together with his duties to STUFF and Contact.

CARDINAL CHATTER

By Howard Lesch

The last week-end in February was a disastrous one for the Cardinal and Purple cohorts. The college cagers fell before George Williams of Chicago in their final game, and to top off the bad news our Junior Cards had Michigan City reverse the tables on them and hand them their first setback 31-30. Not much can be said about the Williams affair, because, after all, what can be said about losing to a team which we previously had whipped by thirty points?

Defeat in the finale brought the college record to six wins and eleven losses. This record places the Cardinals in a lower status than they should be placed. The schedule which the team had to wade through this season was the toughest ever had by a St. Joe team. No one can call outfits like Butler, De Sales, and Xavier easy. Besides, as happened in football, the breaks just did not come Coach Dienhart's lads' way. But looking into next year we see promising things. Returning for their senior year will be Ray Michalewicz and Jerry Yocis, and along with them a trio of sophomores, who already this year merited much praise for their brilliant work, namely, Melloh, Gutsell and Dougherty. Whalen and Clark are two other boys who deserve watching.

Capt. Barney Badke, who topped the college team in the scoring department, earned himself the position of center on the second All-Conference five. Being the only really big man on the St. Joe team it was his job to control the backboards, and this he did exceptionally well. Barney reached his peak this season against St. Norbert's and George Williams, during which games he tallied forty-four points. Had he been more effective from the foul stripe, Capt. Barney may have raised his total close to 160. But in sixty-nine attempts he was able to connect on but twenty-eight of them. In fact it was in this department that the whole Cardinal squad was deficient, making but 117 charity tosses out of a possible 259, and for that very reason dropped several close tilts.

While watching the pitchers perform in the gym on their first day out, "Sparrow" Gutting was heard moaning. "I hope that those guys aren't that wild when batting practice starts."

Flash—Fort Wayne
"Laughing Louie" Reichert, stellar high school center, must have something. The Central Catholic soprano rosters recently selected their All-Tournament team, and placed Louie as one of their centers. Why? Louie will answer all questions.

Beat them twice during the season and you are bound to lose in the tournament. Just an old basketball saying which was proved by Michigan City when they nipped the Junior Cards. Well the same thing happened twice during the sectionals held at Rensselaer. The Bausman Bombers defeated Brook, who held two victories over them, in the finals, and in reaching the finals Brook had to outdistance the Remington Riflemen, who had topped them twice during the current campaign. That's the game of basketball for you.

Players come and go but we always remember those boys who kept that net flicking. Here are what we consider the best players whom the Cards have run up against this year.

F. Steiner	Butler
F. Neary	Xavier
F. Mascari	Indiana State
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C. Chatman	George Williams
G. Donovan	Xavier
G. Geyer	Butler
G. Loche	Ball State



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CHOK-UP TIME!

Raleigh Club in throes of pool and ping pong tournaments.

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STUFF

St. Joe's Academy Five, Unbeaten 'Till Tournament



TOURNEY ENDS WIN STREAK OF JUNIOR CARDS

Beat Blazers Twice This Season—Lose in Ft. Wayne Melee

Michigan City's Blue Blazers handed the Junior Cards, who had gone through their fifteen-game schedule unbeaten, their initial taste of defeat in the first round of the Indiana Catholic Tournament at Fort Wayne, 31-30. After twice during the season having fallen before the Cards, the Blue Blazers reversed the tables in the tournament and eked out revenge.

The game see-sawed from the beginning to the end, with Michigan City holding a 10-9 margin at halftime. St. Joe tied the count as 26 all and these close of the third frame. The score moved on to 28-28 on baskets by Kochis and Ritter. Then Ritter tallied again and Retseck converted from the free throw line to give Michigan City a 31-30 advantage. In the final ten seconds Louie Reichert was fouled while pivoting a sensational shot through the hoop, but failed in his final effort to connect from the charity line.

Still Reichert

Reichert, center and dynamo of the St. Joe machine, was high point man with thirteen points. This game was the tenth in which he did not commit a foul. Timm, who rated on the All-Tourney team, played brilliantly and paced his outfit to victory with eleven tallies.

The summary:

St. Joseph's			St. Mary's		
G.	F.G.	P.	G.	F.G.	P.
Meagher	2 0 3	0	Ritter	4 4 0	0
Haman	1 2 1	0	Retseck	2 2 0	0
Kennedy	0 0 1	0	Timm	2 1 1	1
Reichert	6 1 0	0	Scholl	2 0 2	0
Ormsby	2 0 2	0	Fragman	1 0 3	0
G.Kochis	2 1 2	0	Block	0 0 0	0
Totals	13 4 9	0	Totals	14 3 6	0

St. Joe's high school cagers, undefeated in season play, had to take a tough defeat in the opener of the Ft. Wayne Diocesan Catholic tournament. Clockwise, starting at midnight, are: Capt. Meagher, Reichert, Ormsby, R. Hajdich, J. Hajdich, Manager Cunningham, Alt, Kennedy, Bickford, G. Kochis and Haman. In the center are the directors of the junior Cards: Coach Joseph Dienhart and the Rev. Edward Roof, C. P. S., athletic director.

College Varsity Season Record

	G.	F.G.	F.T.	F.T.M.	P.	T.P.
St. Joseph's	269	117	142	223	655	655
Opponents	266	141	131	213	673	673
Badke	17	57	28	41	142	142
Melloh	17	40	26	31	106	106
Michalewicz	16	37	17	11	91	91
Gutsell	15	39	10	10	88	88
Whalen	13	34	12	13	80	80
Yocis	17	28	6	11	62	62
Dougherty	8	12	3	12	27	27
Clark	13	5	4	1	14	14
Thuerk	3	3	4	3	10	10
Lesch	8	4	1	3	9	9
Monjon	7	2	0	1	4	4
Cross	5	1	1	0	2	2
Doyle	6	1	0	0	2	2
Gels	5	0	0	0	0	0
Morton	3	0	0	0	0	0
Leugers	2	0	0	0	0	0
Duax	1	0	0	0	0	0
Voll	7	5	3	5	13	13
Hurrie	2	1	2	0	4	4
(G.—Games; F.G.—Field goals; F.T.—Free throws; F.T.M.—Free throw missed; P.—Personal fouls; T.P.—Total points.)						
*Withdrew at the semester.						

High School Varsity Season Record

	G.	F.G.	F.T.	F.T.M.	P.	T.P.
St. Joseph's	237	82	77	152	556	556
Opponents	111	85	98	149	307	307
Meagher	16	66	11	12	143	143
Reichert	16	56	21	10	133	133
Haman	16	32	23	14	87	87
Kochis G.	15	27	11	9	65	65
Ormsby	15	24	6	7	54	54
Hajdich R.	14	11	3	9	25	25
Kochis P.	8	8	1	1	17	17
Hajdich J.	8	5	1	2	11	11
Bickford	10	3	2	4	8	8
Brungart	3	3	0	1	6	6
Kennedy	6	2	1	0	8	8
McNamara	6	0	2	1	2	2
Alt	7	0	0	0	0	0
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BASEBALL NEXT!

Batterymen in Warmup For Diamond Campaign

Fr. Fehrenbacher, Onetime Card Ace, Looks Over Flingers and Receivers—Butler, Normal and Ball State on Schedule

By Richard Doyle

Anticipating a definite break in prevailing weather conditions in the near future, Coach Dienhart has been sending an aspiring band of twenty-seven batterymen through preliminary warmup paces in the college gymnasium for the past three days, in an effort to uncover a crop of capable flingers for the coming diamond campaign.

Seventeen prospective hurlers and seven receiving mates heeded the opening call for "arms", and after a brief course of calisthenics and fundamentals from Fr. Fehrenbacher, past Card pitching ace, the batterymen settled down to the familiar tactics of locating the leather mitt with commendable precision.

Heavily handicapped by the loss of the three ace slabs of the '38 campaign, the Cardinals look to such likely recruits as McGuire, Fitzpatrick, Gutsell, and McDevitt to bolster the slab-staff, with Richardson, Weber, Simms, and Lucisano handling the receiving assignments.

Awaiting the outcome of the initial outdoor sessions, the Athletic Department has not as yet engaged an extensive schedule, but an attractive slate calling for a pair of encounters with Butler, Indiana State, and Central Normal, plus single games with Ball State and Eastern Illinois rounds out the schedule completed to date.

Tom Richert, recuperating Cardinal hardwood guard, has received the appointment to the managerial post of the St. Joe nine for the coming campaign.

BRIDGE ROUNDS END, DOBMEYER BEST FINESSER

Raleigh Club Gives Silver Trophies as All Bouts Finish

By Richard Doyle

Collegeville's finest in the field of finesse was determined Sunday, Feb. 26, when St. Joe's four Auction finalists met in the deciding round of the annual Raleigh Club bridge tournament. Paul Dobmeyer of Drexel, runner-up in divisional play, clinched high honors over Earl Miller, Drexel sectional winner, Herbert Renner, main club divisional champ, and his running mate, John Hunera.

The awarding of silver loving cups to the play-off and divisional winners is slated to take place following the completion of the rotation pool tournament now in progress, and the ping-pong tourney soon scheduled to get under way.

The success of the bridge tournament was due to the splendid supervision of Francis Hodous and Robert Nemetz of Drexel, who together with Virgil Moegling, club president, conducted tourney play.

Organizes Softball



Courtesy Fort Wayne News-Sentinel

Rev. Joseph J. Hennes, St. Joseph's alumnus, is representing the Catholic Youth Organization in the Fort Wayne City Softball Association, which at the request of Mayor Harry Baals, is striving to give more young men the opportunity to play, by formulating an extensive city-wide program. At a recent meeting Father Hennes was named chairman of the association.

Father Hennes attended St. Joe from 1913 to 1916, and from 1919 to 1922.

JUNIOR CAGERS PRACTICE, HOPE FOR NATIONALS

Despite their defeat in the state tournament, the Junior Cards came bounding back onto the hardwood last Monday to resume their practice sessions. The reason is that they hope to receive an invitation for the National Catholic Tourney, which is to be held in Chicago the end of this month.

Thirty-two teams will compete for the National Title, and of these thirty-two state title holders and runners-up are automatically invited. The other teams are drawn from those who have compiled creditable season records. Our youngsters feel that since they went through their schedule undefeated they stand a chance. Besides, one does not find better records than the one scored by our high school cagers.

CHICAGO FIVE DOWNS CARDS IN SEASON FINAL

Badke, in Last St. Joe Appearance, Bags Nine Points

By Howard Lesch

A closing minute rally, which was topped by James' sensational final second shot netted George Williams a 39-37 victory over the St. Joe Cards in the final game of the season. Trailing 35-28 the Chicagoans closed the gap in the last three minutes to tie the score at 37 all, and then go on to win as James' shot from far out on the court flicked the net at the gun.

The game was a nip and tuck battle all the way with both teams sharing the lead and with neither ever possessing a safe margin at any time during the contest. Williams lead at the half by one point, 13-12.

The second half see-sawed to the 26-26 mark, before the Cards turned on the heat. A spurt, which saw Gutsell, Michalewicz and Yocis hit the hoop, brought the score to 35-28. Capt. Badke pivoted through another during the outstaters rally, but it failed to offset the buckets bagged by Carlson and Root in that driving finish. The Cards had possession of the ball as the clock left the minute mark, but after failing to hit on several shots, lost it on a jump ball. Chatman grabbed the ball and looped a long pass to James who did the rest.

Capt. Barney Badke, appearing for the last time in number thirteen, topped the Cards in scoring with nine points. Carlson paced the locals with eleven.

	G.	F.G.	P.	G.	F.G.	P.
Gutsell	3	2	0	Carlson	4	3
Mich'wicz	2	1	1	Root	4	2
Badke	4	1	3	James	3	2
Melloh	1	1	4	VanAkken	1	0
Yocis	3	3	3	Chatman	3	2
Dougherty	1	0	2	Kranz	0	0
Whalen	1	0	1			
Totals	15	7	14	Totals	15	9

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THEY LOST, BUT ALL DID ENJOY FT. WAYNE TRIP

They went, they saw, but they didn't conquer, but still the Jr. Cardinals and their rooters had a swell time at the Indiana Catholic High School Basketball Tournament held in Fort Wayne, Feb. 24-26.

It was on Friday, Feb. 24, shortly after dinner that the bus carrying two teams, their manager, and twenty-five rooters left Collegeville for the "big city's" Hotel Anthony.

Although St. Joe lost a heart-breaker in its first game, the high schoolers attended the whole tournament.

Upon returning to Collegeville, the boys were complimented on their fine behavior at Fort Wayne. They attended Mass on both Saturday and Sunday mornings in that city.

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It's Formal, Frosh!--Plans in Shape for April 29 Promenade

By Donald Hardebeck

Plans for the annual Spring Prom (strictly formal, freshmen,) sponsored by the Monogram Club are making rapid progress. The day on which St. Joe men will be seen tucked away in tuxedos is definitely April 29, while the scene of this rarity will again be the Rensselaer Armory.

With bids priced at \$3.00 for students, \$3.50 for outsiders, and \$5.00 for patrons who will, of course, find their names on the programs, a record crowd is anticipated.

The members of the various committees who are endeavoring to make this number one social event of the year grand in every detail are as follows:

Executive: Badke, chairman; Tippmann, Moore, Curosh, and Michalewicz.

Patron: Tippman, chairman; Cody, Conley, Gutting, and Keane. Orchestra: Curosh, chairman; Richert, and Leugers.

Decorations: Michalewicz, chairman; Simms, Duax, Thuerk, Richardson, Monjon, Melloh, D. Clark, Theodosia, Thomas, and P. Scheiber.

Program: Moore, chairman; Yocis, and Bechler.

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Rensselaer Welfare Director Addresses Commerce Club

Mr. Kenneth Allman, director of public welfare for the Rensselaer district addressed the regular monthly meeting of the Commerce Club, Mar. 7. Speaking to the assembly regarding the workings of his office, Mr. Allman gave those present a clear insight concerning the public welfare system of the present administration.

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Fr. Kenkel Attends Regional Meeting

Rev. Joseph Kenkel, C. PP. S., professor of social sciences here, and Mr. William A. Hanley, '08, a director of the Eli Lilly Co. of Indianapolis, attended a regional meeting of the Catholic Conference of Industrial Problems held at the Severin Hotel, Indianapolis, Feb. 20 and 21.

The purpose of the convention was to draw up an acceptable plan for the governing of relations between employer and employee. Mr. Hanley submitted a proposal which he stated could be applied to industry in general.

The meeting was adjourned after a banquet on Tuesday evening at which Monsignor John Ryan, professor of economics at Catholic University, spoke on "Catholicism and Catholic Action."

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Grad Sings in Choir At Bier of Pius XI

With his fellow members of the famous Collegium Russicum Choir of Rome, Mr. Maurice Meyers, '30, had the distinction of singing a Russian Requiem service for over an hour directly beside the bier of the deceased Pius XI, Sunday, Feb. 12.

Meyers is a student of oriental religious rites at the Russian College, Rome. After leaving St. Joe, he entered the Jesuit Novitiate, Milford, O., and later West Baden, Ind., from whence he was sent to Europe.

Before going to Rome, he traveled extensively in France, Germany, and Italy, and was among those who got a close-up view of Hitler and Mussolini at Rome. Meyers describes Pope Pius XII, whom he has met often, as "a capable man with great experience, a holy man, an ascetic."

This honored alumnus, whose parents reside at Fort Wayne, was a leader in scholastic activities while a student in the St. Joe Academy.

Sings at Bier



Courtesy Fort Wayne News-Sentinel

The Rev. Maurice Meyers, '30, sang a Russian requiem as a member of the Collegium Russicum Choir for an hour at the bier of the deceased Pontiff.

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Koechley Takes K. of C. Scholarship Test for C. U.

John E. Koechley, senior, took the Knights of Columbus Scholarship examination this afternoon. This is a competitive test which merits a scholarship at the Catholic University, Washington, D. C. to those whom the judges approve.

Mr. Koechley, who lives at 188 High St., Bellevue, Ohio, plans to do graduate work in social sciences. He will return to Collegeville in June for graduation exercises.

This year, until his departure at the semester, Koechley was chairman of the student council.

Fr. Dirksen Addresses Holy Name Societies

Dr. Aloys Dirksen, C. PP. S., will address the combined Holy Name Societies of St. John the Baptist and St. Casimir's parishes in Hammond tomorrow.

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